



Executive Order 18-00

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY TO EXIST STATEWIDE IN THE STATE OF MONTANA

WHEREAS, extremely dry conditions and high winds have combined to create hazardous fire conditions throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, wildland fires are currently burning and have created an imminent threat of a disaster which timely actions can avert or minimize; and

WHEREAS, these conditions authorize the Governor to mobilize state resources and the Montana National Guard to protect life, health and property and authorize the Governor under section 10-3-311 and 10-3-312, MCA, to expend funds from the general fund to meet contingencies and needs arising from the emergency; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation of an emergency authorizes the Governor, under section 10-3-104(2)(a), MCA, to suspend section 2-18-501, MCA, to allow reasonable expenditures for food and lodging for activated National Guard and state agency personnel responding to an emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARC RACICOT, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor under the Constitution of the State of Montana, Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and under other applicable statutes, do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists in the State of Montana as defined in Sections 10-3-103 and 10-3-302, MCA.

This order is effective July 27, 2000.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT
SEAL of the State of Montana,
this ____ day of _____, 2000.

MARC RACICOT, Governor

ATTEST:

MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State